

Windmill Weekly (13)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for December - appreciation

10 December 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Hockey

Well done to all of the children in Years 5 and 6 who attended the Hockey tournament this week. Mrs Rainne was very proud of all the children.

Christmas Singing 16 December 9.15am

You are still invited to join us in the playground for some Christmas singing on Thursday 16 December at 9:15am. The children in Years 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 will be singing some songs for you to listen to and maybe join in with.

Parent Governor Election

We are delighted to have appointed Dr Kai Zolleis to be one of our new parent governors. We only had one nomination so we are still looking for one other parent governor. If you would like to either nominate yourself, or to nominate another parent please could you complete the nomination form at the end of this letter and return it to the school by 12:00pm on Friday 17 December. We would really like to appoint someone who has a genuine interest in joining the school team to help make our school even better.

End of Term

The last day of term is Friday 17th December and we finish at 2.30pm. Pupils return to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022 at 8.45am.



Key Dates

16 th December	KS2 Xmas singing @ 9.15am
17 th December	End of term @ 2.30pm
5 th January 2022	Start of term 3

Hockey Festival at St Edwards on 8th December

Three Year 5 teams from Peacock Class and two Year 6 teams from across the year group participated in a hockey festival at St Edwards this week. The children played tirelessly against three other primary schools in Oxford City and were a real credit to Windmill in their determination and team spirit. Huge congratulations to all the children who took part. A special well done to Josh for winning one of two Year 5 awards for excellent play!

Yours faithfully

Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

(If any images below are missing please view the Newsletter on the School Website - www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk)

African Artefacts, Drumming and Poetry Event for all ages: 10th December, 3.30 - 5pm at Cheney School

Come and explore our Rumble Museum's beautiful African artefact collection, enjoy artefact handling and refreshments, and African poems and drumming from 3.30pm this coming Friday 10th December at Cheney School.

This event is free and for all ages, and will include activities for younger children.

We are delighted that Natty Mark Samuels, founder of the African School in Blackbird Leys, will also be giving a performance with drumming of his poetry inspired by artefacts in our African collection. This event will launch our new booklet about the artefacts with Natty's poems. Visitors will be able to listen to view and handle the artefacts in our collection, get a copy of our new booklet, take part in activities, and enjoy some refreshments. To book places, please email info@irisproject.org.uk
Find out more [here](#).

Election of Parent Governors

Nomination Form

Please return this form by 12pm on 17th December 2021

Your name:	
Address:	
Email address:	
Phone number:	

Please tick ✓

I declare that I have a child on roll at the school and am eligible and willing to serve as a parent governor

I confirm that I am not disqualified from becoming a parent governor (see attached disqualification criteria)

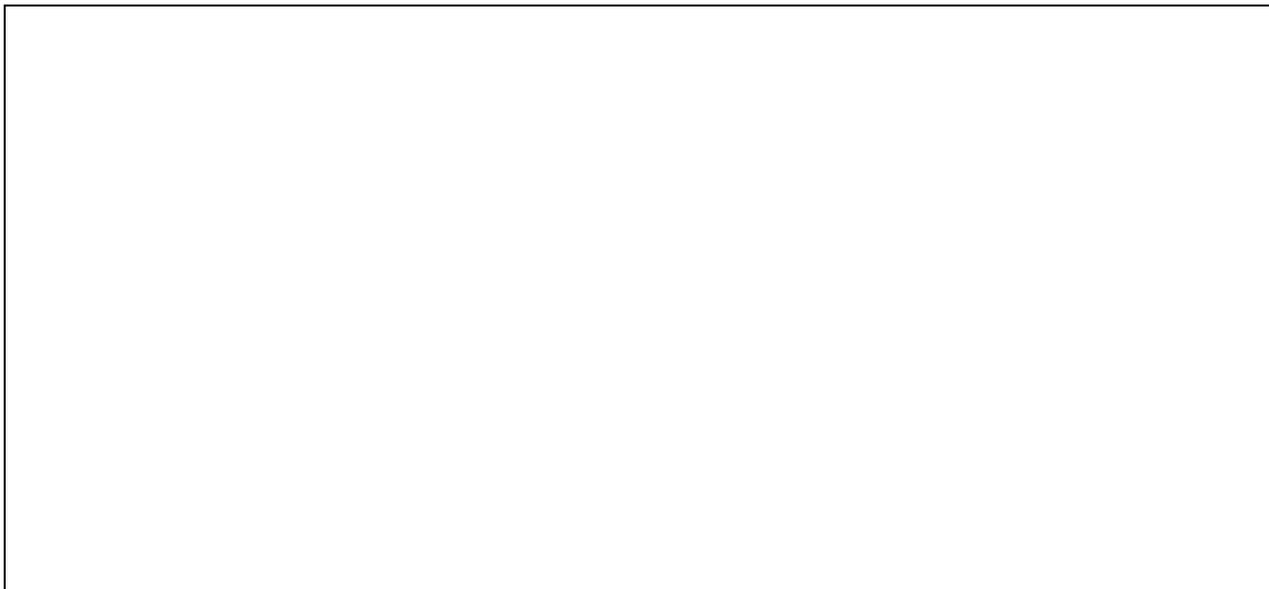
I understand that the post requires me to hold a DBS certificate (the school will apply for the check if you are successful)

I confirm that I am able to fulfil the role including by attending meetings as required, and by contributing to governance work outside formal meetings.

Signed:	
Date:	

Please include a few details about yourself and why you would like to become a governor in the box below (**no more than 100 words**). If an election is needed, this will be circulated to all parents to help them decide who

to vote for. You do not have to complete this section, but if you don't you may put yourself at a disadvantage if there is an election.

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School holiday multi-activity camps

for children aged 3-14!



Summer Fields School

Summertown, Oxford

20-23 December

8:15am-6pm



£45
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HEADINGTON SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP : extended learning for all ages



09.12.21

HEADINGTON MARKET is back on London Road 9.00-2.00 every Saturday with a Christmas extra :
Wednesday 22 December an additional seasonal treats
the market will be closed on Saturdays 25 December and 1 January

SCIENCE OXFORD *The Science Oxford Centre, Stansfeld Park, Quarry Rd, OX3 8SB*
FAMILY DAYS 11, 29, 30 December - sessions at 10.00, 12.30, 3.00 – up to two hours in the Exploration Zone and access to the 15 acres of woodland all day . Get brains buzzing in the Exploration Zone, wrap up for welly walks and spot our woodland wildlife, then warm up with gingerbread, mince pies and festive fayre at the #Skogen café!
Saturday 11 December : as of **Thursday morning**, 12.30 is sold out and only one space left at 10.00, several at 3.00
Holiday Tech **Tuesday 21 December** 10.00-12.00, 1.00-3.00, 2.00-4.00 **Winter Wonderland for ages 9-12** as of **Thursday morning**, 10.00 is sold out
booking essential for all events www.scienceoxford.com 01865 810 000 info@scienceoxford.com

AFRICAN ARTEFACTS, DRUMMING AND POETRY EVENT *Rumble Museum, Cheney School, OX3 7QH*
Friday 10 December 3.30 – 5.00 Explore the Rumble Museum's beautiful African artefact collection; enjoy artefact handling and refreshments, with African poems and drumming
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find out more : <http://rumblemuseum.org.uk/index.php/what-s-on/545-african-poetry-reading>

COWLEY FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS TREES – SHINE A LIGHT *St James Church, OX4 3LF*
Saturdays 11, 18 December 10.00-4.00 **Sundays** 12, 19 2.00-4.00
40+ community decorated Christmas trees - refreshments free entry - donations to ROSY and SeeSaw
Musical evenings **Wednesday 15 December 7.00-8.30 FREE**
Shine in the dark – a harmony singing workshop with Emily Marshall
Thursday 16 December 7.00-8.30 FREE
An evening with Rising Voices choir led by Rose Martin and the Gospel Jazz Project
Friday 17 December 7.30-8.30 £10 - free for children and students
Light up Cowley – a concert with Jubilee Brass and singer Doug Loveridge
ctf@cowleyteamministry.co.uk www.cowleyteamministry.co.uk/Festival-of-Christmas-Trees

MINDGROWING : OXFORD UNIVERSITY'S MUSEUMS have you been back since the lockdowns?
OXFORD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY *Parks Road, OX1 3PW*
Family Friendly Sundays **Sunday 12 December 2.00-4.00**
Family friendly trails, crafts, and more, all provided by Museum volunteers. Drop in, no booking required.
Festive Favourites Get in the mood for Christmas by exploring the museum for some festive favourites.
Will you be able to find all 7?
for ages 5+ the trail starts at the reindeer skeleton
available during opening hours from Saturday 18 December – Monday 3 January – no booking needed
<https://oumnh.ox.ac.uk/events>

HOOP JAM free hula hooping for adults *Bury Knowle Park, London Road*
Sundays 19 December, 30 January 1.00-3.00
outdoors – fresh air – great exercise! – hoops provided – no need to book – learn new skills

8th HEADINGTON RAINBOWS for girls aged 5-7 *meeting in Old Headington*
be active – be creative – learn new skills – make new friends – have adventures – and lots of fun
register your interest on www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus or email 8thheadingtonrainbows@gmail.com

'50 THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE FIVE' FREE APP But actually it has useful ideas, free or low-cost places and resources for all ages
<https://Oxfordshire.50thingstodo.org> *twitter: @50thingsB4five*

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